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Bloodsuckers on their way out

By Spc. Jeffrey S. Keown
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A tiny black insect crawls, unnoticed, onto the back of your neck. It uses stealth to embed itself under your skin. Immediately, the blood starts flowing from you to the tick. Finding one of these engorged, hideous creatures attached to your skin is disgusting enough. Having to remove the tick, and deal with possible infections that could be caused by it, only add to the mental anguish.

Luckily for attendees of the 2001 National Scout Jamboree, the 155th Medical Detachment, Fort Bragg, N.C., is on the case. The 155th is a preventive medicine unit. Their mission deals mainly with sanitation and entomology. In layman terms, they study and destroy dangerous insects, ensure that mess halls and rest areas are kept sanitary, and test the purity of drinking water.

"Our primary mission is to provide preventive medicine support and consultation to military personnel, participants, support personnel, and visitors to the 2001 National Scout Jamboree," said Capt. Jose I. Nunez, commander of the 155th. "We're in charge of the disposal of hazardous and medical waste for the 28th Combat Support Hospital. We're also ensuring the sanitary disposal of all waste here. Runoff from a dumpster attracts insects, insects attract rodents, rodents attract snakes, and so on. Before you know it an improperly used trash can turns into a dangerous situation."

The 155th has been in full swing



Photo by Spc. Jeffrey S. Keown

Pfc. Jason L. Newsome, a preventative medical specialist with the 28th CSH, nails a tick warning sign to a tree near the rapelling tower.

here since June 26th. They've been using larvicide on stagnant pools to kill mosquitoes.

They have also conducted population surveys on the dreaded tick. They drag rough cotton sheets over the underbrush and then count the

number of ticks attached. They then post 'tick habitat' signs in high-density areas.

"We've been spraying at the identified sites in an attempt to eradicate

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Water on post tested to ensure safety

By Spc. Todd Edwards

372nd Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

Throughout history, epidemic diseases have threatened the stability of entire civilizations. In modern times, prevention through science and doctrine is the manifestation of those lessons. The 792nd Preventative Medicine Detachment is an example of those ideas.

Testing drinking water, sewage waste products and performing entomological surveys of resident insect populations are the ways these soldiers help ensure the health and safety of the participants in the 2001 National Scout Jamboree.

Checking chloride concentrations in drinking water is one way these people accomplish their mission, said Sgt. 1st Class Richard Esparza, the preventative medicine noncommissioned-officer-in-charge of the 792nd. Chlorine in water inhibits the proliferation of harmful organismsnd such as fecal coliform bacteria and giardia.

Coliform tests are also run directly on water samples to determine the bacterial load in a given volume of water, said Esparza.

The protection of water sports enthusiasts is a main goal for the unit during the jamboree, said Esparza. Therefore, tests will be performed on the natural bodies of water in the area used by participants. Countermeasures against insects such as mosquitoes will also be employed, he said.

"We will put bait in the water around the jamboree for mosquitoes," Esparza said.

Performing this service for the participants of the jamboree is exciting for the members, said Capt. Richard L. Dickerson, an environmental science officer.

"We're excited about this," Dickerson said. "We want to make this a safe, exciting experience for everyone."

There is also a personal connection to the job they do for members of the unit.



Photo by Spc. Todd Edwards

1st Lt. Carrie D. Monje, the Executive Officer for the 792nd Preventative Medicine Detachment and an Environmental Science Officer pours melted fungal agar for polymerization into a petri dish.

"[I want to...] let them know we're good people," said Dickerson.

Although the members of the team don't get much direct contact with the Scouts they will be supporting, they still feel the gravity of their jobs and the connection to the future, said 1st Lt. Carrie D. Monje, executive officer for the 792nd and an environmental science officer.

"This is important because we have to support our youth and future leaders," said Monje.

The personal connection of similarity that drove the original development of preventative medicine in modern society still serves to motivate people working in that field today, said Monje.

"I have two boys myself, and these Scouts make me think of them when I'm working," she said.

Safety Thoughts

- There can be no compromise for safety.
- A person who does their work safely does it well.
- Safety is everybody's business.
- Your first accident may be your last.
- Safety is no mystery—just common sense.
- A good safety record I no accident.

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Eagle Scout becomes Army doctor

Gonzalez overcame ailment to help others

By Spc. Mark S. Rickert
372nd Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

He sits at his desk, wearing blue scrubs and a stethoscope around his neck. He scratches his signature onto a few forms, hands them off, then answers the phone—a patient will arrive soon, suffering from a blunt-trauma wound to the chest.

There is never a dull moment within the air-conditioned tents of the Command Area Support Hospital, located here. Gonzalez and other members of the 28th Combat Support Hospital, Fort Bragg, N.C., have already begun to treat the visitors attending the 2001 National Scout Jamboree.

Maj. Benjamin S. Gonzalez, M.D., emergency room chief, began his diverse military career some 16 years ago when he first enlisted with the Air Force as an Airborne Combat Crew Linguist where he remained active for eight years.

Though his future was bright, Gonzalez's destiny was not yet clear. He would first have to overcome a frightening hurdle. During those eight-years with the USAF, a tumor was found on Gonzalez's right jawbone—an occurrence that would shape his future by sending his career into an entirely new direction.

"The tumor was growing rapidly. So they sent me to an oral surgeon at Walter Reed where they literally had to take out the right side of my face," said Gonzalez as he pointed to a scar that runs faintly along his jaw line.

"Then they cut out a rib and constructed a jawbone out of that rib. I thought that was the coolest thing I

had ever seen—they basically replaced my face," said Gonzalez. "I guess the surgeon sparked my interest into the medical field. I just thought it was fascinating. I didn't even think about being a medic in college. It wasn't until the operation that I decided to get into the medical field."

Soon after Gonzalez's recovery, he completed his enlistment and went back to school where he earned a bachelor's degree in biology at West Maryland University. "I finished my enlistment and went back to school. I joined the ROTC program and joined the Army as a medical service core officer."

Now Gonzalez has the opportunity to help others and he does so in his everyday life. His help stems from his patients to his personnel. One patient in particular gains special attention from Gonzalez who shares much in common with Scout.

"We had this seven year-old boy with cancer who really wanted to come here," said Gonzalez. "But in order for him to come, we had to coordinate with his doctor back home. So, we worked it out to have the blood work done here at the hospital, followed by his primary cancer doctor. If everything goes well, he gets to stay."

The help Gonzalez offers to his co-workers is evident in their enthusiasm toward the major.

"He's a great doc," said Spc. Benjamin E. Green, a senior medic. "He's helping us get things straight and he's always teaching us new things. He's easy to get along with and has a great attitude toward the other personnel."

"He provides us with important training such as airway, breathing and circulation—the most important aspects of our field," said Sgt. Edgardo A. Santiago, the noncommissioned officer in charge.



Maj. Benjamin S. Gonzalez

Though Gonzalez has achieved much in his adult life, the building blocks of his success were laid much earlier on. His experience with the Eagle Scouts helped to build a strong foundation. "I was an Eagle Scout at age 16," said Gonzalez. "I enjoyed the Scouts. It helped my life out quite a bit with things like school, military and interpersonal relationships. Even then, I got the weird merit badges like chemistry and biology. I was the kid that got those first."

Being here for the jamboree is exciting for Gonzalez, who is preparing for a busy assignment. "I think it's cool to be here. It brings me back to some of my fondest memories as a scout: hiking in Arizona, taking the horses out, finding a lake in the middle of the desert and swimming in it," said Gonzalez. "It's going to be busy, but we'll be ready. I'm looking forward to taking care of the scouts and anybody else who needs help—civilian or military personnel."

Fort A.P. Hill Chaplain Services

- Sunday Collective Services ... July 22, 29 and August 5; 11 AM until Noon ... Building 1652
- Bible Study and Fellowship every Wednesday 730 PM until 830 PM ... Building 1653
- Counseling Session ... Noon until 3 PM ... Chaplain's Office ... Building 1653, phone number 8631
- Pastoral Care Available ... 24 hours a day, seven days a week

Former scouts support jamboree

By Spc. LaTorry D. Sidney
300th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

It's well known that the National Scout Jamboree is a large-scale gathering of scouts of all ages from across the nation, but for some soldiers manning the Fort Knox Tank exhibit in the Army Adventure Area here, it means a little more.

The tank exhibit includes many attractions such as informative hand-outs, cut-away ammunition, which can be looked inside of, dummy rounds used for training, training video clips and a military vehicle board set up to test the scouts' knowledge of military tactical vehicles and even a tank for Scouts to climb over and look into.

The presentation team for the tank display consists of Fort Knox-based units such as the 16th Cavalry Division, the 216th Cavalry Division, and the 281st Armored Cavalry Division.

"This mission gives us a chance to have a lot of fun," said Sgt. 1st Class Donald L. Monroe, an armor officer basic instructor with the 216th Cavalry Division. "It's a break from our usually strenuous missions."

Having served as an Assistant Scoutmaster, Monroe looks forward to serving in support of the Scouts.

"It (allows) us to mentor the Scouts, show the world our craft, and be a positive influence," said Monroe.

Spc. Tori D. Baylor, a tanker with the 16th Cavalry Division, shares in the enthusiasm of being a member of the Boy Scouts' support system.

"I think (the Scouts) will have a good time," said the former Boy Scout. "If I had kids I'd let them be scouts."

According to Sgt. Lance M. Chase, a tanker with the 281st Armor Cavalry Division, the AAA is sure to please.

"There are (events) around here I'd like to go out and do," said Chase. "There's almost everything here you can imagine."

Having been a former Scout also, Chase fondly recalled his scouting



Photo by Spc. LaTorry D. Sidney

Sgt. 1st Class Donald L. Monroe, an armor officer basic instructor with the 216th Cavalry Division, shares his knowledge of tank ammunition with his fellow soldiers.

days. "We had a state jamboree, but nothing this big," he said.

Chase also expressed a firm belief in the potential of Scout-related programs to show the Scouts opportunities for the future. "If you show (the Scouts) what's out there now, it opens up a whole new world to them," he said.

Chase compared an adolescent's journey to adulthood to someone using a compass. "If you take a reading in one spot, then take a little as one step over, the reading changes," Chase explained, "and one event in a child's life can make their future change."

14 different units make up cooks and servers at dining facility

By Casandra M. Bolton
372nd Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

Service with a smile. These words are put into action at the Fort A.P. Hill Dining Facility located in building 1641.

"All of us pretty much help each other," said Pvt. Zartoe Z. White, food service specialist with the Headquarters and Headquarters 18th Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg, N.C.

There are 14 different units within six brigades that make up the cooks and servers at the Fort A.P. Hill Dining Facility.

The different units include the 1st Corps Support Command Brigade, 44th Medical Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division, 17th Military Police Company, 51st Signal Brigade, and the 18th Airborne Corps. There are also civilians who work within the dining facility to assist the soldiers to complete their mission.

Preparation for breakfast begins at 3 a.m. with the arrival of the first shift. The first shift does everything from making eggs to

setting up serving lines.

"We keep the soldiers fed and support the Scouts," said Staff Sgt. Ronald C. Mason, food service specialist with the 44th Medical, D Company, 261st in Fort Bragg. "We are basically here to make sure that the soldiers who take care of the Scouts directly are taken care of." "We help boost the soldiers morale."

Breakfast ends at 8 a.m. The dining facility distributes boxed lunches in the morning to the military personnel as they leave the DFAC.

The reasoning for the boxed lunches is simple, according to Chief Warrant Officer Wayne L. Fauntleroy, primary food advisor with 1st COSCOM located in Fort Bragg.

"Soldiers really don't have the time to come back to the dining facility for lunch and instead of them coming all the way over to the dining facility, they just grab it in the morning." "During the last jamboree the Army had to serve the boxed lunches that had been frozen. When the meals were thawed

out they were still partially frozen. The ones we have this year are shelf stable." Shelf stable means no refrigeration is required.

Dinner chow starts at 5:30 p.m. and ends at 7 p.m. If soldiers are working and don't have time to grab chow they can always eat midnight chow that starts at 11:30 p.m. and ends at 12:30 a.m.

On a daily basis, surrounding the jamboree, the cooks serve approximately 800 military personnel. The numbers are expected to rise beginning July 23.

The one thing that is nice about the military support, according to Crawford, is the way all the units come together and work as one in support of the Scouts. Units from all across the country come together once every four years, if not more, to show their support to the Scouts.

The soldiers at the Wilcox Dining Facility are truly dedicated to taking care of all servicemembers who may pass through its doors. Whether it's 5:30 a.m., 5:30 or 11:30 p.m., smiling faces of soldiers from different places can always be spotted here.

Scouting has large military influence at Fort Rucker

By Sgt. Tom Cox

314th Press Camp Headquarters

Scouting is bigger in some areas than others. At Fort Rucker, Ala., scouting is huge and has a large military involvement.

"About 75 percent of my unit has a scouting background and are involved in mentoring Scouts," said Staff Sgt. Andrew D. Wells, an instructor at the Aviation Branch Basic Noncommissioned Officer Academy at Fort Rucker.

"From the Commandant of the academy on down to dozens of individual soldiers, scouting is a passion there," Wells said.

Wells is also Advancement and Awards Chairman for Cub Scout Pack 50, Alabama's largest pack, and is responsible for keeping up with the paperwork on more than 125 Scouts. Fortunately, he has a good working relationship with Pack 50's secretary.

"I'm glad my wife is the secretary," said Wells with a smile. "Instead of sending faxes and email to coordinate a field trip, I just talk to her at the breakfast table."

Wells joked that his Army and Scout jobs sometimes overlap. Cub Scouts get treated like soldiers and soldiers get treated like scouts.

"I don't drop my Cub Scouts for pushups, but sometimes I yell at my Basic Non-commissioned Officer Course students that my Scouts work better together than they do," Wells said. "It makes a good training tool."

Chief Warrant Officer Jerry W. Frye became an Eagle Scout in 1981, shortly after attending Fort A.P. Hill's first jamboree.

"I believe heavily in the scouting program," said Frye. "I'm paying back the adults for the good things I received as a Scout."

Frye, an AH-64D Instructor Pilot with 2,000 flight hours in 1st Battalion, 14th Aviation Regiment, volunteered to return to Fort A. P. Hill for the 20th anniversary. This time, however, he will be manning the aviation display, an AH-64A Apache helicopter.

He has been a Cubmaster for three years. Two of his sons are involved in scouting, with the third headed that way soon. "My youngest is only six months old, so I'm holding off a bit before I get him started," Frye joked.

He credits his scouting background with starting his military career.

"Scouting helped me go in the Army," said Frye. "I learned about land navigation, orienteering, and tying knots and now I use those skills all the time."

Chief Warrant Officer Eric D. Malcolm became an Eagle Scout in 1979. He is Fort Rucker's Airfield Safety Officer, a UH-60 Blackhawk Instructor Pilot and a Master Aviator with more than 4,000 flight hours. He said that scouting had a positive influence on him and laid the groundwork for his successful military career.

"Scouting helped teach me self-sufficiency, field skills and how to deal with being away from home."

With multiple tours to Korea, Bosnia and Desert Storm during his 19 years of service, these skills came in handy. Now, in an effort to "pay back" scouting, Malcolm is an assistant Scoutmaster. His son is a Scout and his wife is a den leader.

"It's all about men helping boys become men," Malcolm said.

1st Sgt. Clifford Brighton, with Co. D, 1st Battalion, 145th Aviation Officer Basic Course, deals with about 500 lieutenants each week. He is also an assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 3 in Marianna, Fla., where

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Staff Sgt. Andrew D. Wells, an instructor at the Aviation Branch Basic Noncommissioned Officer Academy

he deals with about 25 boys each week. He said that scouting is the key for many children as they transition into productive young men.

"The Play Station Generation needs a boost to its self-esteem and self-confidence," said Brighton. "Scouting provides exactly that. I got involved to help provide leadership to these children."

Brighton is involved in a program at Fort Rucker that will have range-qualified sergeants teaching gun safety and marksmanship to Scouts, and have medical personnel teaching first-aid classes.

"Scouting really does make a difference," said Brighton. "It teaches pride and respect, and those are the things kids today need."

Duct work



Photo By Spc. Todd Edwards

Edmond "Lizard" Rosen, an EMT and Communications Technician for the US Public Health Service, and Lt. Cmdr Kellie Clelland tape an extension for a radio antenna to maintain communications for the Public Health Emergency Assistance Team here.

Scouts, soldiers have much in common

By Spc. Jenna C. Bisenius
300th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

Pick a soldier. Any soldier. Ask that soldier what they believe in. Often, that soldier will say honesty. Integrity. Dedication to family. Teamwork. Service to country. Important values, perhaps even *essential* values, and ones held in common with many Boy Scouts attending the National Scout Jamboree at Fort A.P. Hill, Va. July 23 through August 1, according to military policemen supporting the exercise.

"I was a Boy Scout for three years and there are a lot of similarities between Boy Scouts and the military," said Staff Sgt. Brian D. Westmoreland, military policeman, Maneuver Support Center, Directorate of Combat Development, Fort Leonardwood, Mo. "As a Boy Scout, I was taught to be a good member of my community, to be honest, to work hard. I carried those lessons into adulthood, and I see them every day in the soldiers I work with."

Westmoreland, along with approximately 11 other MP's from Fort Leonardwood and three MP's from Fort Stewart, will be setting up an interactive site for Scouts attending the jamboree. Their site will be located at the Army Adventure Area here. There, Scouts can earn merit badges, learn about the history of military police, and see some of the equipment used by MP's.

"With this exhibit, we hope to show Scouts that MP's do a lot of the same things they do in Boy Scouts," said Pvt. Josh A. Becket, a former Weeblo Scout, military policeman, 463rd Military Police Company, Fort Leonardwood, Mo. "Our job as a soldier is not just about fighting. Like Scouts, we also work together with local civilians, we do volunteer work with the Special Olympics, we try to be good members of our community and help out those in need."

But the similarities don't stop there, according to Westmoreland, who said, "Both the Boy Scouts and the military teach you about discipline, respect, motivation, and survival skills, all things that can help any child or even a soldier be a success."

One way that the soldiers at the interactive MP site plan to help Scouts learn successful life skills is with merit badges, such as the Crime Prevention Merit Badge, according to Westmoreland. "My job is to teach these kids how to deal with issues like gangs, drugs and alcohol, crime and how all of these things affect the community they live in," he said.

Another Merit Badge Scouts can earn at the MP site is for fingerprinting, according to 1st Lt. Robert L. Kay, officer in charge of the interactive MP Merit Badge site at the Army Adventure Area.

"Fingerprinting goes hand in hand with crime prevention," said Kay. "Naturally, this is something that MP's use, but it's also something that Boy Scouts can use in their communities to be proactive against crime. For example, having a child's fingerprints on file can often be helpful later should something happen to that child."

In addition to their roles as teachers, soldiers at the interactive



Photo by Spc. Jenna C. Bisenius

Staff Sgt. Richard R. Crawley, military policeman, 3rd Military Police Company, Fort Stewart, Ga., examines an MK-19 automatic grenade launcher before mounting it to the HMMWV for display at the National Scout Jamboree.

MP site also hope to act as mentors to the Scouts. "We want to be good role models because these are our future leaders, some of them are possibly even future soldiers," said Kay. "Boy Scouts are known for their sense of duty, selfless service, and loyalty. We want to support the Boy Scouts and encourage them to embrace those values because they are the same values that we embrace as soldiers."

Schedule for Soldiers Spiritual Fitness Run

**Friday, July 20th, 2001
530 AM until 630 AM**

5:20 a.m. ... Formation and Stretching in front of MJSC Building 1630

5:30 a.m. ... Welcome ... LTC Dumoulin

5:32 a.m. ... Devotion ... Chaplain (LTC) Wiley

5:40 a.m. ... Spiritual Fitness Training ... Soldiers

6:16 a.m. ... Remark ... LTC Dumoulin

6:20 a.m. ... Benediction ... Chaplain (LTC) Macupa

The Information Board

July 22, 2001

- *82nd Airborne Division Freefall Team*, **6:30 to 6:50 p.m.**
Arena Show
- *USA Express*, **6:50 to 7:20 p.m.**
Arena Show
- *214th Ground Forces Band*, **7:20 to 7:50 p.m.**
Arena Show
- *Aerial Photo Crew*, **7:40 to 8 p.m.**
Arena Show

July 23, 2001

- *U.S. Navy Leapfrogs*, **11:30 to 11:50 a.m.** and **3 to 3:30 p.m.**
Stage Show
- *Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps*, **noon to 12:30 p.m.** and **2:30 to 3 p.m.**
Stage Show
- *214th Ground Forces Band*, **12:30 to 1:15 p.m.**
International Stage
and **2 to 3 p.m.**
Army Adventure Area
- *319th Army Band*, **12:30 to 1:15 p.m.**
Wilcox Dining Hall
and **4 to 5 p.m.**
Army Adventure Area
- *85th Division Band*, **1 to 2 p.m.**
Army Adventure Area

July 24, 2001

- *The "ARMY" Balloon*, **7:30 to 9:15 a.m.**
Daily Ceremony
- *CINC Guard*, **7:30 to 9:15 a.m.**
Daily Ceremony
- *214th Ground Forces Band*, **7:30 to 9:15 a.m.**
Daily Ceremony

- *Cannon*, **7:30 to 9:15 a.m.**
Daily Ceremony

- *85th Division Band*, **9 to 10 a.m.**, **1 to 2 p.m.** and **4 to 5 p.m.**
Army Adventure Area
- *319th Army Band*, **9 to 10 a.m.**
Stage Show Area
and **12:30 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.**
International Stage
- *USA Dragster*, **9 a.m. to 5 p.m.**
Thomas Road

- *CINC Guard*, **10 to 1030 a.m.**
Army Adventure Area

- *82nd Airborne Division Chorus*, **11 a.m. to noon** and **3 to 4 p.m.**
Army Adventure Area

- *U.S. Navy Drill Team*, **11 to 11:30 a.m.** and **2 to 2:30 p.m.** Stage Show

- *214th Ground Forces Band*, **12:30 to 1:15 p.m.**
Heth Dining Hall
and **12:30 to 1:15 p.m.**
Longstreet Dining Hall

Important Times

DFAC ... Wilcox

Breakfast ... 5:30 to 8 a.m.
Lunch ... Box lunch picked up at breakfast
Dinner ... 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Swing Shift ... 11:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

PX ... Wilcox

Monday through Saturday ... 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Sunday ... 2 to 7 p.m.

SICK CALL ... Wilcox

Daily ... 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Swimming Pool ... HQ Area

Monday through Friday ... Noon to 8 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday ... 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Ticks: from page 1

the tick population. Thus far, we've had outstanding results," said Sgt. 1st Class Richard G. Overturf, the detachment's first sergeant.

"We're here to protect the Scouts and make the environment safe for everybody. We're still dragging high tick population sites after use of pesticides to ensure the effectiveness of our spray missions.

We are also continuing to monitor the mosquito population. The dangers associated with the types of insects we're combating; mosquitoes, wasps, yellow jackets, ticks and others, are quite often not as noticeable as their simple annoyance.

Bugs can be a real nuisance, but we are more concerned with the medical aspect of their threat," he said.

The 155th is usually dedicated to sanitation missions. Their sister detachment, primarily involved in entomology, was recently deployed to Bosnia. Soldiers of the 155th are now receiving some outstanding real world

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Sgt. 1st Class Richard G. Overturf, the 155th Medical Detachment's first sergeant.

extermination training.

"The spray mission was enormous and it was a great training experience. Especially because most of these soldiers have been primarily tasked with sanitation and not entomology," said Capt. Michael L. Desena, the unit's executive officer.

Soldiers of the 155th have had quite a bit of fun tracking, trapping and exterminating insects.

"I think things are going great. I've had a lot of fun," said Pfc. Christopher L. Johnson, a preventive medicine specialist. "I actually pulled a tick from the back of a colonel's neck this morning. I've only been with this unit for about one-and-a-half years and this is the first time I've gotten

to go out and work with real people in real situations," he said.

Monday, the gently rolling hillsides of Fort A.P. Hill will be overrun by thousands of people. Hungry insects will be swarming around their heads. Ticks will be attempting to crawl into tents.

Thankfully, the numbers of this insect army have been greatly reduced.

So, if you find a tick stuck to your skin during this jamboree, don't panic. Any medic in the area will be more than willing to remove it. Just remember, if it were not for the efforts of the soldiers of the 155th Medical Detachment, you might have five ticks instead of one.

Scouts to go commo

By Cpl. Holly Arnold
314th Press Camp Headquarters

Soldiers from the 442nd Signal Battalion, 15th Signal Brigade from Fort Gordon, Ga., are setting up a communication station at the Army Adventure Arena here in support of the National Scout Jamboree.

"This will be a chance for the Scouts to see what the military is about and what exactly we do," said Sgt. Scot R. Culp, non-commissioned officer in charge of the Line of Sight.

The Scouts will be able to get some hands-on experience with the Signal equipment. "Scouts will be able to climb inside the vehicle and see how the Small Extension Network works. They will also be able to operate the switch board," said Sgt. Carlos A. Delarosa.

"The SEN is used to provide security communication elements for headquarters," said Delarosa, "It can hold up to 26 phone lines. We will show them the network diagram so that they can see how the SEN plays into a combat situation."

In addition to learning about the SEN, Scouts will be able to see how a LOS works. "Basically a LOS is two antennas that communicate through a direct line of sight," said Culp. "The LOS is a static display, but



Photo by Cpl. Holly Arnold

Sgt. Felix M. Olmedo and Sgt. Scott R. Culp, of the 442nd Signal Battalion, 15th Signal Brigade, are testing the SINCGARS radios in preparation for the Scouts.

the Scouts will be able to see how it works. Even though it isn't as fun, it will be educational."

This is also a chance for the soldiers to get some training while they are having fun with the Scouts. "This is a chance for the second lieutenants, who are in the Officer Basic Course, to get the initial experience with signal tactical equipment. They are also honing their leadership skills by working in leadership positions," said Lt. Kerri K. Pasquini, officer in charge of the station.

New Suit



Photo by Spc. Jeff Keown

Spc. Benjamin E. Green, senior ER medic for the 28th CSH, models a prototype camouflaged nurse scrub.